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TO : Assistant Director of Logistics

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FROM : Chief, Planning Staff, OL

SUBJECT: Personnel Aspects of the Planning Staff Workload and Objectives

The workload of the Planning Staff as described in the Objectives for FY 1956, and the approved functions of this Staff are outlined in general terms on the attached sheets. The considerations which are attendant to establishing a personnel ceiling for this Staff on accomplishment of the major objectives and functions assigned are as follows:

1. Successful total accomplishment of major objectives and functions as assigned is contingent upon approval of the current request for an increase of seven (7) positions for this Staff. This study is now in the hands of the Management Staff for action.

2. Logistics planning within the Agency has been at an extremely low level since the dissolution of the Logistics Division of the A & L Staff of OPC. Only in recent months have policy directives and regulations been approved which return support planning to its proper place in the Agency planning system. This Staff is being integrated into this new planning system to generate support plans concurrently with the development of operational plans.

3. In the Hot War planning field the logistic support side has also been neglected for nearly three years. Recent statements from the Director (Letter of 2 June attached) indicate he is expecting significant progress in this field as well as current operational planning and suggest that there will be no opposition to granting funds and personnel in excess of current ceilings required to ~~accomplish~~ ^{any} portion of the cold war or hot war planning.

4. This Staff cannot neglect its assigned responsibilities in either the hot or cold war fields, but can do justice to

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neither without the requested increase in planning personnel. Personnel-wise logistics planning for hot war has the highest official priority. If the requested increase is denied, Logistics Planning will fall seriously behind other support and operational planning.

2 Attachments (As indicated above)

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